

Remarks/Arguments

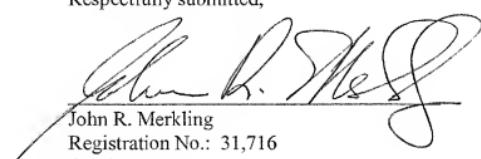
Applicants acknowledge with appreciation the allowance of the claims as filed. The examiner has noted that the Greek letter "ρ" did not appear correctly in the electronically filed specification and has suggested that a substitute specification be filed. Apparently, a square appeared in the version available to the examiner, rather than the character symbol. This change appears only in the image available to the examiner and does not appear in the electronic filing available to the undersigned. A clean substitute specification, including claims and abstract, is filed herewith. The substitute specification contains no new matter. The undersigned wishes to express appreciation to the Patent Office in connection with the development of the recently-implemented web-based electronic filing system, which appears to avoid such transmission failures.

In response to a Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment, a marked version of the specification has been prepared, showing [□] and ρ wherever it is likely that an error in display appeared in the electronic filing. Since this did not effect either the abstract or the claims, copies of the abstract and the claims are not being submitted herewith.

In view of the forgoing correction to the specification, it is believed that all outstanding matters have been addressed and that the case is in condition for allowance. The examiner's reconsideration of the case is, therefore, earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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